The State Government has now taken the stand that they can consider further action only if the Bill is formally returned with Presidential orders under Article 201 of the Constitution. Accordingly, the Bill is now being processed formally for Presidential orders.

Chakma refugees in Tripura

724. SHRI G. G. SWELL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Chakma refugees in Tripura have refused to go back to Bangladesh;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) whether they have appealed to the United Nations against forced repatriation and to protect their human rights;

(d) whether Government have drastically reduced their rations and daily doles; and

(e) the present per head daily expenditure on these refugees?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. M. SAYEED): (a) and (b) The Chakma refugees have neither agreed nor refused to go back. They are insisting for acceptance of their 13-Point demands and some other conditions by the Bangladesh Government before their repatriation.

(c) The Government have no such information.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) The present expenditure per refugee is about Rs. 150/- per month.

Steps to check smuggling of explosives

725. CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has come to notice of Government recently that 57 k.g. RDX was seized in Ghaziabad by a combined team of operations cell of Delhi Police, Punjab Police and U.P. Police;

(b) if so, how many have been apprehended so far and whether any investigation has been carried out and if so, with what results;

(c) what efforts are being made to seize explosives being smuggled into the country from Pakistan;

(d) whether patrolling of coastal areas has been intensified by taking the help of coast guards to apprehend culprits indulged in smuggling high explosives by sea; and

(e) what is the total deployment of coast guards made in the coastal line in this regard and estimated expenditure by Government so far during the past six months?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (e) As per information furnished by the State Government of Uttar Pradesh about 56 kgs of RDX and three Hand Grenades were seized on 28.9.93 from a house in Lajpat Nagar in Sahibabad, Distt. Ghaziabad, UP, by a Special Operation Cell of Delhi, UP and Punjab Police. Police have registered a case under Crime No. 673/93 under the explosives Act and investigation is in progress. No one has so far been arrested in this regard. No clue has so far been found about the origin of the explosives. However investigations made so far reveal that the explosives belonged to the terrorist outfit, KLF led by one Kanwal Singh Rehana. Government have asked all state governments to launch systematic action to locate and seize explosives that have been smuggled into the country. State governments have also been asked to appoint nodal officers for coordinating all action for carrying out reinforced surveillance, especially along the coast. Appropriate instructions have also been issued to the Navy, Coast Guards and Customs for carrying out intensive patrolling in the high-seas as well as along the coast line. As per informaton furnished by the Min. of Defence, (Coast Guard Hqrs), all available operational Coast Guard ships and aircraft have been mobilised to maintain constant vigil in the maritime zones